

wishes had he been able
to do so without overlooking
the claim of those gentlemen
who have been long in the
Consular Service & who
naturally look to Boston
as one of the prizes of the
profession I am

Sir
Your Obed^t Servant

Henry Catercraft

Wm Lloyd Garrison Esq

Communicated with Lord
Clarendon the present
Secretary ^{of State} for Foreign Affairs
but I regret to say that
his Lordship was unable
to hold out any hopes
of being able to comply
with your suggestion by
appointing Mr George Thompson
to fill the consulate of
Boston

Lord Clarendon would
have had much pleasure
in complying with your

to attend to any business
it being thought desirable
for him to obtain perfect
rest.

I am happy to say
however that I have
just received a Note from
him in which he says
he is fast gaining
strength, & hopes before
long to be quite well again.

Upon the receipt of
your Telegram I immediately

Private

Board of Trade,
Whitehall Gardens.
S.W.

April 29. 1870.

Sir

I beg to acknowledge
the receipt of your Telegram
by the Cable & of your letter
of the 22nd March addressed
to Mr Bright

I regret to say that
Mr Bright has not seen
your letter nor is he
able to answer it as he
is not yet permitted